

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE

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GE HARRIS RAILWAY ELECTRONICS, L.L.C.,)
and)
GE-HARRIS RAILWAY ELECTRONICS)
SERVICES, L.L.C.,)
Plaintiffs,)
v.) Civil Action No. 99-070-GMS
WESTINGHOUSE AIR BRAKE COMPANY,)
Defendant.)

ORDER

WHEREAS, on August 18, 2004, the court issued a Memorandum Opinion (D.I. 274) and Order (D.I. 275) directing the plaintiff, GE Transportation Services Global Signaling, LLC (“GETS”), to file a motion seeking reasonable attorneys’ fees;

WHEREAS, on September 1, 2004, GETS filed a motion seeking reasonable attorneys’ fees (D.I. 276), as well as accompanying declarations and affidavits (D.I. 277-282);

WHEREAS, in a civil contempt proceeding, the court, in its discretion, may award attorneys’ fees, costs and expenses, but such an award is restricted to reasonable amounts incurred in prosecuting the motion;¹

WHEREAS, attorneys seeking compensation must document their hours with sufficient specificity so as to enable the court to determine if the hours claimed are reasonable for the work

¹ *Halderman v. Pennhurst State Sch. & Hosp.*, 49 F.3d 939, 941 (3d Cir. 1995); *see also Lichtenstein v. Lichtenstein*, 425 F.2d 1111, 1113-1114 (3d Cir. 1970).

performed;²

WHEREAS, a fee petition should include fairly definite information as to the hours devoted to activities such as fact investigation, pre-hearing discovery, trial preparation, brief writing, etc., including the hours spent by partners, associates and paralegals on such tasks;³ and

WHEREAS, after having examined the plaintiff's submissions on the motion (D.I. 276-82), the court concludes that the plaintiff's declarations lack sufficient information to enable it to ascertain whether the requested attorneys' fees are reasonable;

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that:

1. The plaintiff submit unredacted copies of its declarations in support of its motion for attorneys' fees within ten (10) days of the date of this order.

Dated: March 21 , 2005

/s/ Gregory M. Sleet
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

² *Keenan v. City of Philadelphia*, 983 F.2d 459, 472-473 (3d Cir. 1992).

³ *Washington v. Philadelphia County Court of Common Pleas*, 89 F.3d 1031, 1037 (3d Cir. 1996).

